

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A shredding apparatus comprising:
a destroy process unit for destroying data stored
5 in an image display member; and
a shredding process unit for shredding the image
display member.

2. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
10 wherein the shredding process unit shreds the image
display member to make an image displayed on the image
display member be invisible.

3. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
15 wherein the data is stored in a data storage device of
the image display member.

4. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein:
20 the data is stored in the data storage device of
the image display member; and
the destroy process unit applies at least one of
electric field and magnetic field to a data storage unit
of the image display member to destroy the data.

5. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein:

the data is stored in the data storage device of
the image display member; and

5 the destroy process unit destroys the data storage
device physically.

6. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
further comprising:

10 an insertion port from which the image display member
is inserted into the shredding apparatus, wherein:

the destroy process unit is disposed closer to the
insertion port than the shredding process unit.

15 7. The shredding apparatus according to claim 4,
wherein the shredding process unit shreds the image
display member after applying the at least one of the
electric field and the magnetic field to the data storage
device.

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8. The shredding apparatus according to claim 4,
wherein the destroy process unit applies voltage to the
data storage device to destroy the data storage device
and the data.

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9. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein:

the data is stored in the data storage device of
the image display member; and

5 the data destroy unit applies an electromagnetic
wave to the data storage device to overwrite another data
into the data storage device so that the data stored in
the data storage device is destroyed.

10 10. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
further comprising:

a sensing unit for sensing as to whether the image
display unit includes a data storage device; and

a control unit for controlling the destroy process
15 unit to destroy the data when the sensing unit senses
that the image display unit includes the data storage
device.

11. The shredding apparatus according to claim 1,
20 further comprising:

a display member sensing unit for sensing presence
of the image display member; and

a control unit for controlling at least one of the
destroy process unit and the shredding process unit to
25 perform each operation when the display member sensing

unit senses the image display member.

12. A shredding method comprising:

destroying data stored in an image display member;

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shredding the image display member.